

## Message Text

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 0840

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PASS: TREASURY FOR PARSKY; AGRICULTURE FOR WEST

E.O.: 11652: N/A

TAGS: USSAEC, AGR

SUBJ: AGRICULTURAL ASSISTANCE TO SAG; DEMINERALIZATION  
PROJECT EVALUATION

REF : JIDDA 2203

1. DISCUSSION WITH TAHER OBAID BY DOKE/MOSER TEAM HAS CLARIFIED REFTTEL REQUEST FOR A "WATER EXPERT": THE SAG HAS RECEIVED PROPOSALS FROM TWO (NON-U.S.) FIRMS FOR DEMINERALIZING, VIA THE REVERSE OSMOSIS PROCESS, THE RIYADH WATER SUPPLY. OBAID WOULD LIKE ADVICE FROM AN OUT-SIDE SOURCE AS TO THE TECHNICAL MERITS OF THE PROPOSALS. HE IS PARTICULARLY CONCERNED THAT TECHNOLOGICALLY MORE ADVANCED REVERSE OSMOSIS SYSTEMS MAY BE AVAILABLE NOW OR IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE. HE RECALLED THAT BARBARA BURNS (INTERIOR) HAD TOLD HIM IN FEBRUARY THAT THE OFFICE OF WATER RESEARCH AND TEHCNOLOGY HAD MADE OR WAS ABOUT TO MAKE SOME SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENTS IN THE REVERSE OSMOSIS PROCESS.

2. SUGGESTION WAS MADE THAT MOST EFFICIENT WAY OF GETTING THIS EVALUATION WOULD BE FOR OBAID TO SEND THE PROPOSALS TO WASHINGTON WITH ONE OF HIS TECHNICIANS FOR EVALUATION THERE BY OWRT.

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3. PLEASE ADVISE VIA TELEX TO JOINT COMMISSION OFFICE IN

RIYADH, WITH INFO COPY TO EMBASSY VIA STATE CHANNELS, IF  
AND WHEN OWRT COULD PROVIDE THIS SERVICE, ALONG WITH  
COST ESTIMATE. PROJECT IS URGENT, AND OBAID NEEDS ANSWER  
ASAP.  
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